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PETITION FOR A 3-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a 3-month extension of time, from October 3, 2002 up to and including January 3, 2003, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.1.36(a) for filing a response to the mailed Office Action in the above-identified application.

A check in the amount of \$465.00 for the extension fee for small entity is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any under-payments or credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 06-1448.

Respectfully Submitted,

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